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Dear ACSC Class of 2008

Welcome to the Air Command and Staff College (ACSC) family and we congratulate you on your selection to attend ACSC in-residence! You should look forward to being challenged throughout the year both in and out of the classroom. Our mission is: *Set an example that creates an environment which inspires ACSC student-leaders to succeed!* We ensure freedom by developing leaders.

You will in-process on 7 August and are scheduled for a 3-day orientation program to assist you and your families in making a successful transition to Maxwell AFB and the Montgomery area. Your classmates will be 431 U.S. officers and civilian equivalents and 78 international officers from 66 different countries.

As you explore our website, let me direct you to some important information. Your daily uniform is BDUs/FDUs, unless noted otherwise on your daily schedule. You will also have scheduled time for daily physical training. Of note, the *ACSC Student Handbook* is a great resource and we recommend that you read it prior to your arrival. Lastly, the ACSC Spouses Club offers a tremendous program and I recommend that you check out their website, including information on housing and schools. Registration and testing for Fall 2007 enrollment at many of the private, Magnet, and preschools will begin soon.

Please feel free to contact us through our unit orderly room at DSN 493-6494 or (334) 953-6494, should you need additional information or assistance. We are ready to help you make this transition a smooth one.

Again, welcome to ACSC. I am confident you will find this assignment challenging and rewarding. I look forward to serving with you.

Sincerely

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